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	Terrence R. Till	1744	
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## **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with W. Schickli on 8/23/06.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 4, "combined handle and" has been deleted and --handle defining an-- has been inserted.

In claim 8, line 3, "combined handle and" has been deleted and --handle defining an-- has been inserted.

In claim 8, line 3, after "sidewall", --and wherein said dirt container further includes a prefilter extending at least partially across said collection chamber-- has been inserted.

Claim 11 has been canceled.

In claim 12, line 1, "11" has been changed to --8--.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Terrence R. Till whose telephone number is (571) 272-1280. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. through Thurs, and every other Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gladys P. Corcoran can be reached on (571) 272-1214. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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